

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 2907

Introduced by Assembly Member Swanson

February 22, 2008

An act relating to juveniles.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2907, as introduced, Swanson. Juvenile rehabilitative and educational programs: public-private partnerships.

Existing law provides that a minor under the jurisdiction of the juvenile court as a consequence of delinquent conduct shall, in conformity with the interests of public safety and protection, receive care, treatment, and guidance that is consistent with his or her best interest, that holds the minor accountable for his or her behavior, and that is appropriate for his or her circumstances.

This bill would state the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation that will create effective strategies to prevent juvenile offenders from reoffending and returning to the juvenile justice system, including the county probation and education departments entering into effective public-private partnerships to develop and leverage local resources. The bill would further state the intent of the Legislature that these partnerships will provide career and technical education, literacy support, and transition services to reduce recidivism among wards at county and Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation operated youth camps.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. It is the intent of the Legislature to enact
2 legislation that will create effective strategies to prevent juvenile
3 offenders from reoffending and returning to the juvenile justice
4 system. These strategies will include the county probation and
5 education departments entering into effective public-private
6 partnerships to develop and leverage local resources.
7 These partnerships will provide career and technical education,
8 literacy support, and transition services to reduce recidivism among
9 wards at county and Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation
10 operated youth camps. The partnerships will generate a cost savings
11 to the state and to businesses, while reducing youth violence and
12 other criminal activities.

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